

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION

Legacy Open Space - No. 018710

Category: **M-NCPPC**
 Agency: **M-NCPPC**
 Planning Area: **Countywide**
 Relocation Impact:

Date Last Modified: **January 5, 2006**
 Required Adequate Public Facility: **No**

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Thru		Est. 6 Year		Beyond						
	Total	FY05	FY06	Total	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	6 Years
Land	99,400	22,611	6,965	48,700	4,450	8,950	8,450	8,950	8,950	8,950	21,124
Other	600	23	77	300	50	50	50	50	50	50	200
Total	100,000	22,634	7,042	49,000	4,500	9,000	8,500	9,000	9,000	9,000	21,324

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

PAYGO	3,172	3,172	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
POS-Stateside (P&P only)	200	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Program Open Space	480	480	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G.O. Bonds	63,519	12,767	6,448	37,000	2,500	7,000	6,500	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,304
Contributions	21,020	400	100	9,000	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	11,520
Current Revenue: General	4,609	4,609	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Park and Planning Bonds	7,000	1,006	494	3,000	500	500	500	500	500	500	2,500

COMPARISON (\$000)

	Thru		Est. 6 Year		Beyond							Approp. Request
	Total	FY05	FY06	Total	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	6 Years	
Current Approved	100,000	26,496	6,922	31,141	4,446	8,995	8,350	9,350	0	0	35,441	0
Agency Request	100,000	22,634	7,042	45,140	7,785	7,785	7,785	7,785	7,000	7,000	25,184	6,385
Recommended	100,000	22,634	7,042	49,000	4,500	9,000	8,500	9,000	9,000	9,000	21,324	3,100
CHANGE				TOTAL	%	6-YEAR	%				APPROP.	
Agency Request vs Approved				0	0.0%	13,999	45.0%			6,385	0.0%	
Recommended vs Approved				0	0.0%	17,859	57.3%			3,100	0.0%	
Recommended vs Request				0	0.0%	3,860	8.6%			(3,285)	(51.4%)	

Recommendation

APPROVE WITH TECHNICAL MODIFICATIONS

Comments

The Executive does not recommend the addition of current revenue to this project for fiscal reasons. Instead, the Executive recommends a significant increase to the County's six year commitment.

The FY07 recommended appropriation is \$3,100,000.

The FY08 recommended appropriation is \$7,600,000.

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Relocation Impact **None.**

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Required Adequate Public Facility

October 31, 2005
7-264 (04 App)
NO

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY05	Est. FY06	Total 6 Years	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision											
Land	99,400	22,611	6,965	44,840	7,735	7,735	7,735	7,735	6,950	6,950	24,984
Site Improvements and Utilities Construction											
Other	600	23	77	300	50	50	50	50	50	50	200
Total	100,000	22,634	7,042	45,140	7,785	7,785	7,785	7,785	7,000	7,000	25,184

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Program Open Space	480	480	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G.O. Bonds	58,219	12,767	6,448	27,840	1,885	4,385	5,785	5,785	5,000	5,000	11,164
Contributions	21,020	400	100	9,000	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	11,520
Current Revenue: General	9,909	4,609	0	5,300	3,900	1,400	0	0	0	0	0
Park and Planning Bonds	7,000	1,006	494	3,000	500	500	500	500	500	500	2,500

ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000)

Maintenance				52	7	8	8	8	8	13	0
Program-Staff				181	41	28	28	28	28	28	0
Program-Other				61	23	10	7	7	7	7	0
Net Impact				294	71	46	43	43	43	48	0
Workyears				4.0	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.0

DESCRIPTION

The Legacy Open Space initiative identifies open space lands of countywide significance that should be acquired and interpreted because of exceptional natural or cultural value to current and future generations of Montgomery County residents. Legacy Open Space will acquire or obtain easements, or when necessary, make fee-simple purchase on open-space lands of countywide significance. In July 2001, the County Council adopted the Legacy Open Space Functional Master Plan to guide this program. The functional master plan sets forth procedures for selection of properties, setting priorities, and implementation of the program. Plan implementation and the need for CIP funding will extend beyond six years. Priorities will be updated with each new CIP, but will remain flexible enough to allow the Planning Board to address development threats and joint funding opportunities. The County Council encourages the Commission to seek supplemental appropriations if approved PDF funding is insufficient.

Non-County funding sources are expected to contribute significantly to the Legacy Open Space program. Some but not all contributions will appear in the PDF Expenditure and Funding Schedules depending on whether the contribution is actually spent by the County or Commission. For instance, matching donations from partners in cash or Program Open Space (POS) funds will be spent by the County or Commission and thus will be reflected in the schedules above, while donations of land or non-County funded payments that go directly to property owners will not be included. To date, a total of \$13.4 million in non-County funds have been contributed to implement the Legacy Open Space program. The combination of these non-County and County funds have resulted in the program successfully protecting over 3,000 acres of open space in the County, including 1,904 acres of in-fee acquisition and 1,166 acres of easements.

JUSTIFICATION

These exceptional lands are not well-protected and are threatened by the rapid pace of development. The public interest in the future availability of these lands for all County residents is best served if these lands are added to the public domain. The PROS Plan recommends placing priority on conservation of natural open spaces in and beyond the park system, protection of heritage resources, and expanded interpretation activities. Public demand for this initiative is strong as reflected in the results of the PROS public opinion surveys.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA

Date First Appropriation	FY01	(\$000)
Initial Cost Estimate		100,000
First Cost Estimate		
Current Scope	FY01	100,000
Last FY's Cost Estimate		100,000
Present Cost Estimate		100,000
Appropriation Request	FY07	6,385
Appropriation Req. Est.	FY08	6,385
Supplemental		
Appropriation Request	FY06	0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		29,676
Expenditures/		
Encumbrances		22,634
Unencumbered Balance		7,042
Partial Closeout Thru	FY04	0
New Partial Closeout	FY05	0
Total Partial Closeout		0

COORDINATION

Acquisition: Local Parks PDF 767828
Acquisition: Non-Local Parks PDF 998798
ALARF: M-NCPPC PDF 727007
Restoration of Historic Structures PDF 808494
State of Maryland

M-NCPPC asserts that this project conforms to the requirements of relevant local plans, as required by the Maryland Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act.

MAP

